

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the subject application as amended. In response to the Office Action mailed 11/22/04, Applicant is filing this amendment. Claims 1, 8, 19 and 26 are still pending.

In the Office Action mailed 11/22/04, the Examiner has rejected claims 1-3 and 19-21 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Kinoshita et al. (U.S. 6,150,800; Kinoshita). Furthermore, the Examiner has rejected claims 8 and 26 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over the same Kinoshita reference. However, the Examiner did note allowable subject matter in reference to the use of a RC filter. Accordingly, Applicant has amended independent claims 1 and 19 to recite an RC filter as an element of the claimed embodiments of the invention. The remaining claims 8 and 26 depend from claims 1 and 19, respectively. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to withdraw the 35 U.S.C. §102(e) and 35 U.S.C. §103(a) rejections and allow pending claims 1, 8, 19 and 26, as amended.

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